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Sir:

REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.111

In response to the Official Action dated **July 31, 2008**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of the fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.

The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account 23-3050.